Extradition Treaties

2373. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA:
SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) with how many countries India have got the treaty of extradition alongwith the members of Gulf countries and neighbouring countries having the same treaty;

(b) do they include Malaysia and Sweden also;

(c) if not, whether Government propose to have a treaty with these countries; and

(d) with how many more countries Government intend to have the extradition treaties and by what time the formalities would be completed?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) India has singned Extradition Treaties with UAE among the Gulf countires and with Bhutan and Nepal among the neighbouring countries. India has signed Extraditon Treaties with following 8 countries also.

Belgium, Canada, Hong Kong, Netherlands, Russian Federation, Switzerland, U.K. and U.S.A.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The Governemnt has proposed to negotiate an Extradition Treaty with Malaysia. The Indian draft of the Extraditon Treaty has been sent to Malaysian Government for its consideration.

India has a reciprocal Extradition Arrangement with Sweden under which extradition of fugitive criminals can be sought by either country under the extradition laws of the Requested State.

(d) The Government has initialled, at official level, Extraditon Treaties with 5 countries and with another 23 countries negotiations are in progress.